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Title: STABILIZATION OF COOKED )  
PASTA COMPOSITIONS USING )  
WHEY FROM NISIN-PRODUCING )  
CULTURES )  
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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 4, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 4-6, 14-16, and 24-26 as follows:

*4.* (Once amended) The fully cooked, stabilized pasta composition of claim 1 further comprising a pasta filling or a pasta sauce, wherein the pasta filling or pasta